

Petition wishes to grant HF privileges to people who have not passed a practical test.

We don't give driver's licenses to people who have not passed a driving test.

The current testing scheme works, and is producing new operators.

CW is an essential fallback mode for communications;

The very purpose of Amateur Radio in the US is to provide Emergency Communications capability.

When conditions are too poor, or interference too heavy, for voice, CW can be sent, even from the TouchTone Pad on a VHF/UHF HT. If CW is no longer required, Amateur Radio emergency capabilities will degrade unnecessarily.